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July 14, 2004

Dear Colleague:

At the 2002 NightinGala, the Board of Directors of the Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research (FNINR) established the Pathfinder Award. The Award was instituted to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) and to commemorate and honor NINR-funded research.

In September 2002, three Awards were presented to distinguished nurse researchers with each Award representing five years of NINR's existence. The Awardees were: Linda Aiken, PhD, RN, FAAN; Barbara Given, RN, FAAN; and Virginia Tilden, DNSc, RN, FAAN. In 2003, I was honored to receive the Pathfinder Award, along with Elaine Larson, PhD, CIC, RN, FAAN.

FNINR will present the 2004 Pathfinder Award to distinguished investigator(s) at the upcoming NightinGala on October 6th. I would like to invite you to nominate a nurse researcher. Your nominee will need to complete the nominating materials and forward them to the FNINR office by August 20, 2004.

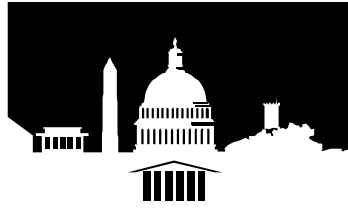
Thank you for considering this call for nominations, and I hope you will be joining us at the 2004 NightinGala. This will be the largest gathering of leaders in the field of nursing research. FNINR is expecting the largest turnout ever with over 1,000 nurse scientists, deans of nursing schools, senior management of medical schools, faculty, senior management of health-related associations, corporate and community leaders as well as members of Congress and their health care and legislative staffs.

Sincerely,

Nancy Fugate Woods, PhD, RN, FAAN
Chair, Pathfinder Awards Committee

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2004 PATHFINDER AWARDS NOMINATIONS GUIDELINES

The Pathfinder's award is given by FNINR to acknowledge nurse researchers whose work has been:

- programmatic, focusing on advancing deep understanding of human health and health care;
- sustained by multiple R01 research grants from NINR/NCNR;
- consequential for changing human health or the delivery of health care;
- disseminated widely in nursing and other scientific publications to professional and public audiences.

ELIGIBILITY

- Must be a nurse.
- At least two RO1's funded by NCNR or NINR.

NOMINATION MATERIALS (to be submitted to FNINR offices by August 20, 2004)

- **Cover sheet.**
 - Name, credentials, address, telephone number, and e-mail address.
 - University affiliation and position.
- **Personal Statement (not to exceed 2 pages)**
 - Describe your major area of research contribution that has led to changes in health care or health care delivery, illustrating the programmatic and sustained effort.
- **Examples of two publications describing your work.**
- **Curriculum vitae.**
- **Two letters of support**

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